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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows. This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1 - 7. (Canceled)

8. (New) An attachment apparatus for attaching a first structure to a second structure of a household appliance, the attachment apparatus comprising:

a holding pin, the holding pin having a head portion and a foot portion and the holding pin being disposable, during an installation operation, into a fully fitted position in which the holding pin extends through an aperture in the first structure and through an aperture in the second structure along an attachment axis passing through the apertures of the first structure and the second structure, the head portion of the holding pin, in the fully fitted position of the holding pin, being located on one axial side of the first structure and the foot portion, in the fully fitted position of the holding pin, extending into the aperture of the second structure, the holding pin engaging the first structure and the second structure to maintain the first structure at an axial spacing from the second structure in the region of the apertures of the first and second structures, the foot portion of the holding pin having a nominal transverse extent that is transverse to the axial extent of the holding pin and at least as large as the largest transverse extent of the aperture of the second structure, the foot portion of the holding pin having, in the fully fitted position of the holding pin, at a smaller transverse extent than its nominal transverse extent and the foot portion of the holding pin exerting a radially outward force against the aperture of the second structure to thereby resist dislodgement of the holding pin from the aperture of the second structure in the fully fitted position of the holding pin, the head portion of the holding pin having a transverse extent transverse to the axial extent of the holding pin that is larger than a transverse extent of the aperture of the first structure, the holding pin further including a first seating extent that is at a location axially intermediate the head portion of the